

FACT SHEET

LEWIS ROAD INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION

Background: The Ventura Freeway (U.S 101) is a major north-south interregional route connecting downtown Los Angeles, the San Fernando Valley, Ventura County, and Santa Barbara County. It runs in an east-west direction within the project and has six travel lanes (three in each direction). A concrete median barrier separates the north and south travel lanes throughout the project. A complete interchange exists at Dawson Drive but because of the position of the railroad, this interchange does not provide direct access to Lewis Road (Route 34) and the westerly section of Camarillo. Due to growth in the area, the interchange has reached its design capacity, resulting in traffic congestion. Reconstructing the interchange will help alleviate traffic congestion and increase safety.

What the Work Involves: The project extends approximately 1.4 miles east and west of Lewis Road on U.S. 101. It consists of adding one lane in each direction on U.S 101; replacing the northbound off-ramp to Daily Drive and adding a southbound off-ramp; realigning Daily Drive between Lewis Road and Glenn Drive; removing the Fulton Bridge; replacing the Arneill Bridge; replacing the southbound Fulton Road on-ramp with a new on-ramp at Ventura Boulevard; adding a new southbound U.S. 101 off-ramp at Ventura Boulevard; widening Lewis Road from Barry Street to north of Ventura Boulevard; replacing a pedestrian freeway crossing over the south side of I-101 with a new pedestrian freeway crossing on the north side of I-101 at the Metrolink Station.

Benefits: The interchange reconstruction will reduce congestion, improve safety, and provide better freeway connections. An improved pedestrian freeway crossing at the Metrolink Station will be built to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. New on- and off-ramps will make entering and exiting the freeway easier. Additionally, the project will create new parking areas.

Schedules: Construction begins in fall 2002 and completes in spring 2005.

Estimated Costs: \$34 million

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